









LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

The woodcock season is in, but the birds are scarce.

The Bristol club played the Kensington club on Saturday afternoon.

The Bristol club won the Indians last Friday. The score 8 to 1.

The Bristol club goes to Lambertville to play the club there.

The Sunday-school of St. James' church closes for six weeks after next Sunday.

The T. B. Harkins Company of yesterday declared an annual dividend of 10 per cent.

A. J. Hobbs has bought of Frank Hill his house on Washington street, near Wood, for \$750.

The St. Paul's Mission took some candidates for baptism to St. Mark's, Burlington, last Sunday.

William Herman has sold out his oil route to Frederick King, and returned to Philadelphia.

The addition to the M. E. parsonage, built by funds raised by the Mite Society, is nearly completed.

Dogs make night hideous with their yell and howl in the vicinity of Radcliffe and Dorrance streets.

The Mite Society of the M. E. church held a pleasant picnic in Tomlinson's lawn, also, Bristol on Tuesday.

The Directors of the Bristol Improvement Company declared a quarterly dividend this morning of 14 per cent.

The Girl's Friendly Society of St. Paul's held a picnic at Iredell's farm last Saturday afternoon. It was much enjoyed by all.

The Sullivan-Kilrain fight attracted considerable interest in Bristol, and it is supposed that quite a sum of money changed hands.

The members of the Bristol Baptist Sunday-school will have their annual picnic at the Oakland Grounds, Cornwall, on Tuesday, July 22nd.

Neshaminy Falls is the favorite place of recreation on Sundays, and last Sunday saw many of our townspeople enjoying the sacred concert.

Professor Daniel Shaw, of Chicago, the champion pool player of this country, gave an exhibition of his skill at K-ni's billiard room last night.

John Stradling, of the firm of Stradling & Guyon, the well known painters, died of typhoid fever, last Saturday. The funeral took place on Tuesday.

The pupils of St. Mark's Parochial school went on a picnic to Tullytown, on Tuesday. The children seemed to enjoy their outing very much.

John Doster, employed as a farmer by Walter B. Johnson, on Tuesday took a load of hay to Philadelphia and sold it. He has not been heard of since.

Ex-Senator C. S. Vandegrift has been appointed Executive Director of the Montgomery counties in place of B. F. Gilkeson, resigned.

William Kinsey will sell on Tuesday, July 16, at 11 o'clock, A. M., six shares of Bristol Improvement Company stock at public sale, in front of the Farmer's Bank of Bucks county.

The Rev. Isaac W. Goodhue, of Crozer Theological Seminary, has accepted the invitation to supply the pulpit of the Baptist church until the first of October and will preach next Sunday.

The Bristol and Landreth clubs tried a game on the Fourth. The Landreth left the field on the 8th inning being dissatisfied with the rulings of the umpire. The score: Landreth 1, Bristol 3.

The Bristol and Burlington clubs played the first of a series of games on the Bristol grounds next Monday. William McLean, of Philadelphia, a professional umpire, will act as umpire for the games.

Emma, of the Delaware Valley Advance, an old-time roadster, became unmanageable on the night before the Fourth, owing to some one throwing a squib at her. The editor was pretty well shaken up in consequence.

The audience room of the Methodist church has been having some needed repairs. The seats have been repainted and a new carpet placed on the floor. It will probably be ready for the congregation to meet in on Sunday.

William Wright, one of the oldest men in the vicinity of Tullytown, died at the residence of his son-in-law, Jacob White, in Tullytown, on July 4th. The funeral took place on Sunday at Emile M. E. burying ground.

It is reported that the crops in Bucks county have suffered from the recent heavy rains. The farmers have not been able to cut their wheat, and large quantities in our immediate neighborhood are on the verge of spoiling.

The Bench and Bar of Bucks County took their annual excursion to Atlantic City, last Saturday. The Judge and about ten members of the Bar left Saturday morning and returned on Monday. They put up at the Margate.

A young son of James King, aged 11 years, while playing with a can of powder on Friday last, was severely injured. The powder became ignited and exploded in young King's face. It is thought that he will lose both his eyes.

Many conveyances, filled with men, women and children, came over from Jersey on the ferry boat on Sunday, and down over to Neshaminy Falls Grove, to listen to the excellent music which is being rendered there by Wrinkler's 7th regiment Band, of Trenton.

At the meeting of the Union Building & Loan Association last Monday evening one hundred and twenty shares of a new series were sold and the secretary was authorized to receive additional names to the series. Five loans were sold at 40 cents monthly premium.

The Delaware River League of base ball teams, composed of the Bordentown, Bristol, Burlington and Mt. Holly clubs, has been broken up. Bordentown wanted nearly all the gate receipts at the places which it played and the other clubs would not submit to such a proposition.

The dogcatchers were in Bristol on Friday last and made war upon our canine friends. The dog ordinance passed by the Borough Council about a year ago will now be rigidly enforced. About 16 dogs were captured on Friday and the catchers will again be here soon.

Several of the officers of the State Penitentiary were in town on Monday arranging for their annual encampment below Bristol. They have engaged a large field opposite the cemetery, and have already cut out for the camping ground. It is understood that about 500 members of the Penitentiary will be there.

The annual Stockholder's meeting of the T. B. Harkins Company was held this afternoon. The following officers were elected: President, T. B. Harkins; Secretary and Treasurer, William V. Leach. Directors, Thomas B. Harkins, Edward Burton, B. F. Gilkeson, William P. Pray and Byron C. Foster.

Lewis Highland was stabbed in the hand on Wednesday night, 3d inst., by a boy named Woodington. While Highland was walking up Radcliffe street in company with several other young men, Woodington came up from behind and attempted to stab him in the shoulder, but the knife was snatched off and entered the hand.

Excursions into the country are getting to be quite popular. Last evening Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wright, Frank Horn, Miss Marie Goodine, Mr. Walton, Miss Mary Brooks, Doran Green, Miss Horn, Mrs. George I. Horn and Miss Hetherington composed a party that went in Burton's new stage to Langhorne and returned.

The base ball game on Saturday, between the Bristol and Welcome, proved to be somewhat of a fizzle. The members of our home club should bear in mind the fact that they are now but servants of the public and should endeavor to make the national game interesting to the spectators who pay their money to see the games.

The Fourth passed off quietly in our town and very few accidents were reported. The police put a stop to the indiscriminate use of fireworks on the eve of the Fourth. This bombardment on the main streets has taken place for several years, jeopardizing both property and life. It is a commendable action in the police to break it up.

A horse, wagon and harness, belonging to Edward Stockhouse, was stolen on the night of the Fourth. A man who worked up on the farm is supposed to have been the thief as he was seen below Bristol, driving the horse, about 1 o'clock on the morning of the 5th. The clue has not been recovered nor is there any claim as to its whereabouts.

A dog belonging to Dennis Dugan, supposed to be afflicted with hydrophobia, ran into James Warden's car, on noon yesterday. There were a number of children in the store. Mr. Warden took it by the neck and threw it in the street. It snarped at two horses tied to the hitching post in front of the store, and was chased away by the boys in the neighborhood. The dog is still at large.

The following officers of Hermon Lodge, No. 109, Knights of Pythias, were installed last Friday evening: C. C. Harry K. Wollard; V. G. Harvey S. Rue; Proctor, William Young; M. A. Thomas E. Longstreet; T. H. Lewis C. Wetting; O. G. Edw. B. Brown; M. of R. Allen L. Garwood; M. of E. Robert H. Neely; K. of L. S. Edw. N. Booz; Trustees, Charles S. Pollard, (long term); Lewis C. Wetting, (short term); Representative, Wm. H. P. Hall, Sr.

About fifty Bristolians went over to Burlington yesterday to witness the game of ball between the Burlingtons and the Cuban Giants. Considerable betting on the result had been indulged in, several hundred dollars having changed hands. The game resulted in a score of 7 to 1 in favor of the Burlington club. It is charged that the Cuban Giants sold out and that some of them furnished money to Bristol parties to wager against their club. Those who witnessed the game declare that the playing of the visiting team gave every evidence of this was the case.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

The regular monthly meeting of Council was held on last Monday evening, at which all the members were present except Messrs. Lum and Riley.

The Street committee reported repairs to various streets in the borough.

The Police committee reported that the station house had been cleaned and whitewashed at an expense of \$4; that the dogcatchers had been around and had cost \$11, and that eleven arrests had been made during the month, chiefly for drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

The special committee to consider the grave matter of the disposition of the borough printing, which amounts in the neighborhood of \$75 a year, reported in favor of its being divided as nearly equal as possible among the four printing offices in the borough. On motion the report was received and ordered filed.

Bills amounting to \$1794.82 were then read and passed.

The bill of Mr. Winters for hauling steam engine to fire was referred back to the Fire committee to ascertain what the existing contract was relative to taking the engine to fire.

A petition for a street lamp at Pine and Corson streets was referred to the Street committee.

The condition of an alleged offensive slaughter house in the Third ward, was referred to the Sanitary and Nuisance committee.

A petition from DeWitt Brothers requesting Council to pass an ordinance repealing an ordinance laying out Franklin street, between Wood and Pond street, was referred to the Street committee.

The attention of Council was next directed to the disposal of the unclaimed dogs that had been impounded. The Burgess stated that he had received notice that if they were killed by giving them poison, the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals would interfere. Dr. W. B. Baker moved that the chief of police procure a hoghead of water and drown the dogs in that. Councilman Rue thought that shooting the dogs was the best method of putting them to death. Mr. Callanan thought the ordinance was not very well enforced. He believed it to be the duty of the chief of police to gather in the dogs whenever he saw one that did not wear the evidence of registration.

Chief Saxton said he did not think it just to make him a dog catcher or a dog executor. He did not believe that to be one of the duties of his office.

On motion the matter was referred to the Police committee, and the high constable was directed to assess all the dogs in the borough and give the list to the borough treasurer.

The following bids for the removal of garbage for the current year were read: Geo. P. Miles, \$600; Thomas Swords, \$540; Caleb T. Hendley, \$640; Javor'ah H. Kell-

TULLYTOWN NOTES.

TULLYTOWN, PA., July 10, '88.

Most every farmer in this vicinity had some hay wet in the recent storm. Benj. Briggs had about 25 loads out.

Wm. Wright died last Thursday morning in his 81st year. Internment took place last Sunday in the Emile Cemetery.

Charles Bennett won both gold champion medals at the Inter-State Fair grounds, Trenton, last Friday. One a 444 yards race and one for 1 mile.

Charles A. Ashton took two seconds and four fourths moneys in the trotting races at the Inter-State Fair, at Trenton, on Friday and Saturday last.

We would advise all the young men who play base ball and cards on Sunday, to desist from the immoral practice before they are visited by the authorities.

Fourth Notes.—Somebody said it was wet; maybe it was; if it wasn't, it was damp. James Swanger's ice cream saloon was well patronized in the evening. Dr. Hunter put off the best display of fireworks in front of his drug store. The pioneers who started for Florence Heights thought it was damp, if not wet. Geo. Carlen and wife went to New Hope to spend the day with Dr. Thornton. James Lovett and Florence Wharton were married in the afternoon by Rev. E. M. Mitchell. May many happy days be their lot. Quite a number of drunken men decorated the side walks late in the evening. Why will they get this way? S. W. H.

PERSONAL.

Miss A. K. Rumsey is at Hammon, N. J. Miss Virginia A. Parker, is at Wilmington, Del.

Mrs. Symington Phillips is at Spring Lake, N. J.

Rev. S. T. Kemble and family are at Ocean Grove, N. J.

Miss Mary Fredick is visiting friends at Cedar Point, Md.

Miss Elizabeth Vanuxem is at Long Branch for several weeks.

W. Elwood Heston is at the Shelburne House, Atlantic City.

Mrs. Jesse B. Meers is at the Grand Central, Ashbury Park.

Mr. and Mrs. John Apple are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Minster.

J. E. Wright, of Tullytown, spent a few days last week in Boston.

Adolph Ancker has returned from a trip to the New England States.

Mrs. W. G. Buckman is visiting her parents at Phillipsburg, N. J.

Miss Mary Martin, of Wayne, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lombard.

Miss Eloise O. Morris is visiting Miss Anna Taylor, at Morrisville.

The family of H. J. Shoemaker have removed to Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Joseph B. Hutchinson of Altoona, Pa. is visiting her mother, Mrs. Cabene.

Mrs. S. W. Groff and children have gone to Carversville, to spend several weeks.

Miss Kate Dostwick is visiting Madame H. Clegg, West Walnut street, Philadelphia.

Mrs. Rebecca Grady, of Walnut Grove, has gone to Beech Haven for the Summer.

Francis Ballard, of New York city, was the guest of Joseph B. Grundy over Sunday.

Mrs. D. F. Gilkeson and Miss Helen Gilkeson are spending this week in Wash'gton, D. C.

Miss Helen Mixson, of West Philadelphia, was in Bristol several days this week visiting friends.

Hon. B. F. Gilkeson joined the Bucks County Bar picnic, at Atlantic City, last Sunday.

Dr. Elizabeth Peck, of Philadelphia, a former teacher here, was in Bristol last Saturday.

Ex-Representative Leonard La Barre, of Trenton, N. J., spent several days in Bristol last week.

Charles F. Pray, of Brooklyn, N. Y., a former Bristol boy, paid a short visit here last week.

Miss Caro'ne Nesbit returned last Saturday from a week's visit to friends in Washington, D. C.

H. A. Bradfield and wife are at Ocean Grove where they expect to remain for three or four weeks.

Harold Peirce paid a flying visit to Bristol, on Tuesday, on his way home to Pittsburgh from Boston.

Mr. Henry, proprietor of the Penn Valley stock farm, has gone to Europe, where he will spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherrard, of Germantown, who have been visiting G. M. Dorrance, returned home on Tuesday.

Joseph Heston and Fremont Harned started on Monday morning for a trip through the Northwestern States.

Miss Nannie C. Peters is spending the summer at the noted Western watering place, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

Mrs. J. W. Everett, of Fleming, N. J., has been spending several days in Bristol, the guest of Mrs. Dr. A. S. Wilson.

Henry A. Scheetz, an old resident of Bristol, is now comfortably ensconced in the Old Man's Home, of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Emily Shoemaker, of Philadelphia, was in Bristol several days this week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Peirce.

Mrs. Captain George F. Tyler, of Bordentown, N. J., spent several days in Bristol this week, the guest of Miss Lizzie Stenerson.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Grundy and Miss Meta R. Grundy left Bristol last Friday for the Adirondacks, where they will spend the Summer.

Miss Janet Williams, of Frenchtown, N. J., who has been spending several weeks in Bristol, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stacy Pursell, returned home to-day.

Jason L. Penimore, Carroll County, Cyrus Peirce, Archie Morris and Malcolm Lovett, went on a camping expedition up Rancocas creek, last Monday. They expect to fight the Jersey mosquitoes for a week.

MORRISVILLE BASE BALL.

BY PICKERS.

On the Fourth of July the Morrisville club defeated the Hamilton Square club by the score of 2 to 1. Coleman only let them have three hits, and had nine strike-outs to his credit.

On Saturday, July 6, they defeated the National club, of Trenton, by the score of 7 to 4. In the fifth inning Hart, who was catching a fine game, relieved Robinson, who was hit by a batted ball, and allowed them but two hits, and struck-out seven men in three innings.

Look out for Morrisville club next year; they will have inclosed grounds. They draw large crowds from Trenton.

The people are very proud of Hart as a gentleman and a ball player. He has taken Helling's place as catcher; and he appears to be quite a pitcher too.

Hayes has found his glass eye; he is bating hard.

—Georgia hens are enterprising. One of them is reported as having hatched out eighteen chicks from thirteen eggs.

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—The English syndicate have made an offer of \$2,000,000 for the Reading breweries. All the brewers favor selling but Messrs. Barbery & Son.

—A Carroll county (Mo) man, over eighty years of age, walked from his home in the country the other day to Carrollton a distance of eight miles, to buy a clay pipe and a paper of fine cut.

—A Coroner's inquest held at Johnstown, Pa., has resulted in finding that the South Fork Fishing and Hunting Club is responsible for the loss of life and destruction of property caused by the breaking of its dam.

—It is said of a Canadian mother who died the other day: "She was a true wife, a fond mother, and so managed affairs as to marry off her nine girls before any other female in the neighborhood could even get a beau."

—A Cincinnati saloon-keeper the other day paid a dollar for a sealed envelope containing directions that would enable him to sleep more. When he opened it, he found on a small card the words "Don't sell so much froth."

—"Take one" was an invitation extended to all pedestrians who passed the store of a New York wholesale grocer recently. The sign was perched upon a trim and pretty wicker basket which was nicely lined with fine grass and contained a litter of kittens.

—Charles Eggers, a brewer in St. Louis, who committed suicide because of domestic troubles, left this note addressed to his wife: "Mary, in order that all recollection of me may be wiped out, have my body cremated and scatter the ashes to the winds.—Charles."

—Several weeks ago a New York lawyer while rummaging in a dark closet disturbed the peace of a spider, which retaliated by biting him on the hand. The latter became so swollen and painful soon afterwards that for a week the lawyer was unable to leave his house.

—A fond parent in Massachusetts wishing to assist his little son to make up a purse for the Fourth, agreed to pay him one cent for every potato he would capture. At the close of the first day the child had 640 bugs. The father paid the \$6.40, but the contract did not continue.

—Morris Stoltz, a Brooklyn cobbler, was standing in front of his store at ten o'clock on the night of the Fourth, when a big bunch of fireworks, thrown by some boys from the opposite side of the street, exploded at his feet, causing a loud noise. He became unconscious from shock and fright and was carried into the store where he died a few minutes later.

—The latest report of the Eastern Penitentiary contains the following suggestive statement: "Of the 510 persons committed to the Eastern Penitentiary during the year 1888, 408 of them were entirely ignorant of any trade or occupation whereby they might earn a living, save the simplest kind of unskilled labor, and more than one-half of them were drifing about at sea and unemployed, at the time of their arrest. A whole sermon would not more impressively convey the advantage of learning a trade."

—The dullest city in North America has been discovered at last. It is not St. Louis, as most people had supposed, but Victoria, B. C. A letter written there June 25 last contains the following: "Business men come down to their office here at 1 P. M. and leave at 4 P. M. After that hour the town is completely deserted. I thought Alexandria, Va. was dead, but it is positively gay in comparison with this place. There grass grows in the streets, but here crops mature in the thoroughfares."—Chicago News.

—The consumption of coal of the world is said to amount to upwards of 1,030,000 quintals per hour. Of this quantity about 240,000 quintals are required per hour in order to heat the boilers for stationary and marine engines, locomotives, locomotives, etc. The production of pig iron absorbs 100,000 quintals, and that of other metals 80,000 quintals per hour. The average hourly consumption of household coal is reckoned at 20,000 q'ntals, but the total production is estimated at 30,000,000 to 35,000,000 per diem so that it is not excessive exceeds the consumption.

—Chauncey M. Depew's address at the anniversary exercises of the Yale Law School was thoughtful and instructive. He told the young lawyers that they need not be discouraged, although the 60,000 men now engaged in the profession in this country do not all get a decent living. Persistent and intelligent industry will command recognition, even in the legal profession. But the Philadelphia Press thinks there is no less room in this profession than in many others and they are all crowded. The only exception is found in the churches, where there is a loud call for more help, but the pay is not attractive so far as this world is concerned.

—The impressive small boy recently got to his work at the laying of the corner-stone of the Baptist church now being erected at Stonington, Connecticut. He smuggled a paper of his own among the public papers, and did not publish his fist until the construction of the edifice was well under way. Upon the scrap of paper he had inscribed the legend, "Do you wear pants?" The authorities of Stonington Baptist Church wonder what posterity will think of its ancestry if, digging some time among the ruins of the church, it should unearth this remarkable document.

—The rise and fall of the Brussels carpet is an interesting bit of textile history, says the Philadelphia Record. Until within recent years everybody who wanted a moderately fine carpet bought Brussels. It was thought to be good enough by all except the very wealthy, and Wiltons, velvets, Axminsters and the various pile carpets that are now so common were scarcely known. Wiltons and velvets were very expensive, and were considered great luxuries, having a very limited market and being manufactured on a very small scale in this country. As the processes by which pile carpets were made began to advance towards their present state of perfection, velvets and moquettes spring rapidly into favor, and now that improved machinery has so cheapened production they can be bought for less money than Brussels carpets cost fifty years ago. One Philadelphia mill has sold its entire Brussels plant. Other manufacturers, however expect the trade to revive.

—To Families.—Never be without Moffat's Life Pills in the house. Pepp's Cathartic Salve is a Household Blessing. Use Moffat's Life Pills and Pepp's Cathartic Salve. There can be no sickness if Moffat's Medicine are used. For sale by druggists everywhere.

ELEANOR KIRK'S GOSSIP.

WESTLEY, R. I., JULY 5, 1888.

EDITOR GAZETTE: "It is exceedingly easy to bear other people's troubles, but very hard to bear one's own." a bright woman adds to a recital of her personal grievances. The principal ingredient in this cup of misery is a mother in law who has assumed control of every department of the young wife's domestic establishment, and a husband who does not take his wife's part. If all my correspondents say is true about this situation, it is certainly a very hard one, and one that ought to be changed immediately, by peaceful means if possible, if not, by war to the knife. The mother in law's rightful place is in the background, sometimes very far in the background, so that she is discernible. She has had her house keeping experience, her children and the management of them. When her son or her daughter marries, she has no more right to officiously interfere in their domestic concerns than a stranger. If the mother in law is a woman of good intentions and natural tact, she can be of the greatest possible use and comfort in the families of her married children—that is usually—though I have known and do know some wives whom an angelic mother in law could not get along with. It is always best for a mother in law to withhold advice, except perhaps in critical cases, until it is asked. Mothers in law make a great mistake when they assume that their experience should be the means of guiding a younger generation. They want to find out for themselves. They did not want a school marm constantly at their elbows. Why not remember this fact and give the young folks a chance? If they stumble and hurt themselves, they will be very glad to cry for help, and this is the mother in law's opportunity. I have great sympathy with the young wife who wants to work out her own theories. Why should she have a disagreeable partnership thrust upon her in the commencement of her career to crush all the ambition and spontaneity out of her? Hands off, I say. Of course these remarks apply only to the wife who has a home of her own. If she is a mother of her mother in law's establishment, she has no more right to be a dominating power in the household than the mother in law would have in the home of the young wife. If the mother in law would not so often get into her own way, and would interfere and unsolicited advice, and the young wife would remember that she has started on the mother in law road, there would be more harmony in these relations.

As my readers are aware, I come in for the lion's share of growing, but as much of it is interesting, I do not feel like enjoying it all alone. After having read the complaints of young wife, and the wail of a girl whose face is covered with freckles, and the appeal of a teacher who "only receives \$800 per year salary"—in order to re-inforce my soul—I re-read a communication from a lady whose little boy six years old was kidnapped. This happened in 1881, and no tidings have ever been received from him. In looking for the child, the mother sustained an injury of the spine which has made her an invalid for life. Strange as it may seem I occasionally feel as if I had a trouble or two, but in the face of such an example as that mother's, where, I ask to know of most of us stand? Let us take this case into our own hearts, we who sometimes think that our troubles are greater than we can bear, and see by contrast how light our burdens really are.

"You remarked in a recent letter that white petticoats had gone entirely out of fashion. Can it be possible that colored skirts are worn with white dresses?" The author of this query must be a literal soul, and if it appears to be surrounded by those who like to leave something to be inferred, I am glad I am not a member of that family. With thin white dresses, white cotton petticoats are worn, but they are no longer starched. With white cashmere or white flannel dresses, white petticoats come in lighter woolen material are used. If the John Wilkes material is worn, then one garment of this kind is sufficient. This is a great economy in weight, material, sewing and washing. Those who have used the divided skirt never go back to petticoats again.

Russet ties can be bought for a dollar and a quarter, and are excellent shoes for the mountains or sea shore. They wear well and are suitable for any costume. Russet boots can be bought very cheaply by those who prefer an ankle support.

The favorite driving or visiting hat for the sea shore is the "Sailor" hat, dark straw with a flat bow of white ribbon at one side, or a white straw with a dark blue ribbon band, are equally stylish. In fact, any color is worn that harmonizes with the complexion.

"Farmer's wife" writes that her neighbors call her "clay shovels and slacks and an apron." She says every day she stands she throws a cloth over the table, soiled with dish and salt, and takes an hour's nap. "I am a mother of six children," she adds, "and it is a most unusual thing for me to have a moment to rest in before dinner. After my nap I rise refreshed and make short shift of the dishes. The afternoon I make a salad, and in the evening whatever is necessary to do. I can get on with ease. But when I force myself to clear away immediately, I am tired and unstrung and rasped all the afternoon, and sometimes I am anxious enough to wish I had never been born. Would you call me a 'clay shovel and slacks' or a woman of some common sense?" I would like to shake hands with this correspondent. Blessed be shiftness. This perfect rest and quiet after the mid-day meal and a moon and evening breeze gives the digestive organs an opportunity to do their work benignly. The nerves are placid, the muscles quiet, and the result is physical and mental harmony—all from a common sense adoption of a few simple rules. It is only work at the wrong time. There would be better disposition among farmer's wives, less dyspepsia and neuralgia, fewer tumors and cancers if they would only follow the example of their 'shiftness' neighbor.

My sick lack has gone. Whether he felt too practical an atmosphere when I got settled here, I do not know, but though I started for me or I was too slow for him, and with a song. "Bob White" however, doing his best to fill the vacancy, and the robing him to morning and evening. But my lack? He might have waited till I could have caught one of his tunes. He was too quick for me or I was too slow for him, and so it always is.

—Although the Navy Department has issued an order to the effect that hereafter all flags made for the navy shall contain forty-two stars, a request from the Assistant Treasurer at New York for a flag of this description has been refused by the Treasury



